

375-3-1-.24**Name on License or Identification Card. Amended.**

Every driver's license or identification card shall be issued in the full legal name of the applicant as reflected on his or her birth certificate except as follows:

(1)(a) Customers whose surnames have changed by reason of a marriage that occurred in the State of Georgia prior to November 1, 1982 may obtain a driver's license or identification card bearing the married surname upon submission of a certified copy of a marriage license or state-issued marriage certificate for the marriage;

(b)(i) Except as provided in Subparagraph (1)(b)(ii), *infra*, customers whose surnames have changed by reason of a marriage that occurred in the State of Georgia on or after November 1, 1982 may obtain a driver's license or identification card bearing the married surname upon submission of a certified copy of a marriage license application, marriage license or state-issued marriage certificate for the marriage;

(ii) In order to utilize a hyphenated surname based upon a marriage that occurred in the State of Georgia on or after November 1, 1982, the customer must present a certified copy of the marriage license application reflecting the selection of the hyphenated surname;

(c) Customers whose surnames have changed by reason of a marriage that occurred outside the State of Georgia may obtain a driver's license or identification card in the married surname upon submission of a certified copy of a marriage license application, marriage license or state-issued marriage certificate for the marriage;

(2) Customers whose names have changed by reason of adoption may obtain a driver's license or identification card in the adoptive name upon submission of a certified copy of an adoption certificate or order reflecting the adoption and change of name;

(3) Customers whose surnames have changed by reason of divorce may obtain a driver's license or identification card in the new name upon submission of a certified copy of the divorce decree reflecting the change of surname;

(4) Customers whose names have changed for any other reason may obtain a driver's license or identification card in the new name upon submission of a certified copy of the court order granting the change of name.

(5) The driver's license or identification card issued to any customer who proves his or her identity by utilizing a document that is acceptable pursuant to Ga. Admin. Comp. Ch. 375-3-1-.02(5) other than a birth certificate will be issued in the name reflected upon said document unless that name has been changed via one of the means listed in Paragraphs (1) through (4) of this regulation.

(6) Any name used by a customer must be electronically verifiable with the records for that customer maintained by the Social Security Administration.

(7) Any customer using a valid United States passport to prove his or her full legal name need not provide any other documentation thereof even if the name reflected on such passport is not the customer's birth name.

Authority: O.C.G.A. §§40-5-4, 40-5-25(c), 40-5-100

SYNOPSIS

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE AND MAIN FEATURES OF PROPOSED RULE

The purpose of this proposed amendment is to clarify the documentation that a customer may present as documentation of a change to his or her full legal name.

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN EXISTING AND PROPOSED RULES

Paragraph (7) is added in its entirety.